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REMARKS

Claims 1-4 have been canceled. New Claims 5-11 are pending in this application.

Claims 1-2 and 4 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Blosssey et al (U.S.. Patent 6,057,930). Claim 3 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Blosssey et al. in view of Applicant's admitted prior art on page 4 of the specification.

New independent Claim 5 claims, in a printing system, a method of page description (PDL) on demand printing, comprising: receiving a document file to be printed, wherein the document file comprises image data written in a page description language; identifying the page description language used to generate the document file; if a PDL interpreter for the identified page description language is not stored locally in the printing system, locating a PDL interpreter for the identified page description language external to the printing system; downloading the identified PDL interpreter; executing the PDL interpreter to transform the document file into a form of data operative by the printing system; and printing the document file.

Nothing in Blosssey et al. teaches or suggests Applicant's method as claimed in Claim 5. Blosssey et al. describes apparatus for controlling the execution of copy and print jobs. First and second processing units are operatively coupled to prioritize and print the copy and print jobs in an order to be executed. An image output terminal is operatively coupled to the second processing unit and receives and prints copy and print jobs in the order to be executed. See col. 2, lines 16-22 of Blosssey et al. CPU 200 receives copy jobs from an input scanner. CPU 210 receives print jobs from clients working on a computer network 110 (see Fig. 2). Print jobs are received in a PDL format. Hard disk drive 250 includes a program storage unit 260, which stores various PDL interpreters or decomposers. (See col. 4, lines 21-42). The apparatus described by Blosssey et al. is similar to a conventional printing system in that the PDL interpreters are stored locally for use by the printing system. As in most printing systems, the number of PDL interpreters available to be stored is limited by the size of the storage unit 260.

In contrast, Applicant's method includes, in part, if a PDL interpreter for the identified page description language is not stored locally in the printing system, locating a PDL interpreter for the identified page description language external to the printing system; downloading the identified PDL interpreter; executing the PDL interpreter to transform the document file into a

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Independent Claim 5 is believed to be allowable. Since Claims 6-11 depend from Claim 5, they are also believed to be allowable. Claims 5-11 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

No additional fee is believed to be required for this amendment; however, the undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

Reconsideration of this application and allowance thereof are earnestly solicited. In the event the Examiner considers a personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned Attorney for Applicants, Jeannette Walder.

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